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Mr. Jeff Derouen Executive Director Kentucky Public Service Commission 211 Sower Boulevard Frankfort, KY 40602-0615

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Re: 2012 Intercarrier Compensation Amendment between TDS Telecommunications Corporation and T-Mobile

Dear Mr. Derouen:

Attached for filing with the Public Service Commission, is an original plus one copy of the 2012 Intercarrier Compensation Amendment to the Wireless Traffic Exchange Agreement between TDS Telecommunications affiliates and T-Mobile USA and its affiliates. The original agreement was filed in Reference No. 00819 and approved May 3, 2006.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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#### 2012 INTERCARRIER COMPENSATION AMENDMENT

To the Multi-State Wireless Traffic Exchange Agreement Between

TDS Telecommunications Corporation and

T-Mobile USA and its Affiliates

This 2012 Intercarrier Compensation Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement by and among the TDS Telecommunications Corporation subsidiaries or affiliates identified on Appendix A (collectively 'TDS TELECOM") and the T-Mobile subsidiaries and affiliates ("T-Mobile") identified on Appendix A, individually a "Party" and collectively the "Parties" is effective July 1, 2012 (the "Effective Date").

WHEREAS, T-Mobile and TDS TELECOM are parties to a Wireless Traffic Exchange Agreement dated January 1, 2005, (the "Agreements");

WHEREAS, The Federal Communications Commission adopted its *USF/ICC Transformation Order*, FCC 11-161 (Nov. 18, 2011), on *recon.*, FCC 11-189 (Dec. 23, 2011), which among other things substantially changes the rules governing the exchange of telecommunications traffic between CMRS providers and local exchange carriers, including T-Mobile and TDS TELECOM, and the Parties desire to conform their interconnection and traffic exchange arrangements to the new rules therein established;

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the promises and mutual agreements set forth herein, the Parties agree to amend the Agreements as follows:

- 1. The following TDS TELECOM subsidiaries are added as a Party to the Agreement: Barnardsville Telephone Company, Saluda Mountain Telephone Company, and Service Telephone Company. On July 1, 2012 the Agreement will supersede the SunCom Wireless Holdings, Inc. Interconnection and Reciprocal Compensation Agreements dated 11/21/2006 and assigned to T-Mobile USA, Inc. on July 1, 2008.
- 2. The Parties intend their Agreement refer to and use the newly defined terms that the FCC has used in its new rules, including "Non-Access Telecommunications Traffic" and "Access Telecommunications Traffic". The Parties therefore amend the Agreement by replacing all references in the Agreement to "Local" and "intraMTA" traffic with the term "Non-Access Telecommunications Traffic", and "Non-Local" and "interMTA" with the term "Access Telecommunications Traffic".

3. Effective July 1, 2012, notwithstanding any other provision of the existing or amended Agreements to the contrary, the Parties shall exchange all Non-Access Telecommunications Traffic at bill-and-keep, pursuant to 47 C.F. R. §20.11(b) and §51.713. Therefore, **Appendix C**, **Rates and Factors** shall be amended as follows,

#### **Reciprocal Compensation Rates**

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Transport and Termination

\*Bill and Keep

- \* Bill and Keep shall mean that the originating Party has no obligation to pay terminating charges to the terminating Party regardless of any charges the originating Party may assess its end users.
- 4. Effective July 1, 2012, notwithstanding any other provision of the existing or amended Agreement to the contrary, the term of the Agreement is set at thirty (30) days, and the Agreement is hereby amended to be a month-to-month Agreement. Either Party may terminate the Agreement, or request renegotiation, upon thirty (30) days' notice to the other Party.
- 5. SECTION I, DEFINITIONS, Paragraph No. 7 "Intermediary Traffic" shall be replaced with "Intermediary Traffic" is traffic that is delivered from a third-party Local Exchange Carrier or other telecommunications carrier such as a CMRS provider, through the network of either Party as an intermediate carrier to an end user of the other Party.
- 6. Paragraph 3.7 Indirect Interconnection, 3.7.1 shall be amended to add: When the CMRS provider chooses a POC outside of TDS TELECOM's serving area, specifically for traffic exchanged indirectly through a 3<sup>rd</sup> party tandem switch, the Parties agree to comply with the transport and provisioning obligation as outlined in the *USF/ICC Transformation Order* FCC 11-161.
- 7. SECTION IV, BILLING, Paragraph 4.1 shall be amended to add: In the event that Intermediary Traffic which is subject to tariffed access charges under the FCC's Intercarrier compensation rules is routed over interconnection service facilities covered under this Agreement for any reason, each Party agrees that it will pay the applicable access compensation to the terminating Party for any and all such traffic it sends as an intermediate carrier.
- 8. This 2012 Intercarrier Compensation Amendment is intended to, and shall be deemed to, revise the rates, charges and other provisions of the Agreements to the extent necessary to give full effect to all provisions of this 2012 Intercarrier Compensation Amendment. Any intercarrier compensation paid by either Party for the termination of Non-Access Telecommunications Traffic exchanged after June 30, 2012 will be subject to a true up based upon the final negotiated compensation arrangements of this 2012 Intercarrier Compensation Amendment. In the event of a conflict between a rate, charge or other provision of the Agreements or other charge, the terms of the 2012 Intercarrier Compensation Amendment and the FCC's rules and orders implementing FCC 11-161 and 11-19 shall govern.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties hereto have caused this 2012 Intercarrier Compensation Amendment to be executed and delivered by their duly authorized representatives.

TDS Telecommunications Corporation (not individually but as agent for the TDS TELECOM subsidiaries or affiliates identified on Appendix A)

Printed name: Joel Dohmeier

Title: Director-Regulatory Revenue, Strategy & Compliance

The T-MOBILE entities listed in Appendix A

Printed name: Bryan Fleming

Printed title: Vice President, Technical Systems and Business Operations

Signature page to First Amendment between TDS Telecommunications Corporation and T-Mobile USA effective July 1, 2012.

#### APPENDIX A

## TDS Telecommunications Corporation and T-Mobile Subsidiaries and Affiliates

Alabama- Butler Telephone Company, Inc. T-Mobile Central LLC

Oakman Telephone Company, Inc. Peoples Telephone Company, Inc.

Arizona- Arizona Telephone Company T-Mobile West Corporation

Southwestern Telephone Company

Arkansas- Cleveland County Telephone Company, Inc. T-Mobile Central LLC

Decatur Telephone Company, Inc.

California- Happy Valley Telephone Company T-Mobile West Corporation

Hornitos Telephone Company Winterhaven Telephone Company

Colorado- Delta County Tele-Comm, Inc. T-Mobile West Corporation

Strasburg Telephone Company

Florida- Quincy Telephone Company T-Mobile South LLC

Georgia- Blue Ridge Telephone Company T-Mobile South LLC

Camden Telephone and Telegraph Company, Inc.

Nelson-Ball Ground Telephone Company

Quincy Telephone Company (Attapulgus exchange)

Idaho- Potlatch Telephone Company, Inc. T-Mobile West Corporation

Indiana- Camden Telephone Company, Inc. T-Mobile Central LLC

Communications Corporation of Indiana

Communications Corporation of Southern Indiana

Home Telephone Company, Inc. S&W Telephone Company, Inc.

The Home Telephone Company of Pittsboro, Inc.
The Merchants and Farmers Telephone Company

Tipton Telephone Company, Inc. Tri-County Telephone Company, Inc. West Point Telephone Company

Kentucky- Leslie County Telephone Company

Lewisport Telephone Company Salem Telephone Company PowerTel/Memphis, Inc. T-Mobile Central LLC

T-Mobile Northeast, LLC

Maine- Cobbosseecontee Telephone Company

Hampden Telephone Company

Hartland and St. Albans Telephone Company

Somerset Telephone Company
The Island Telephone Company

The West Penobscot Telephone and Telegraph Company

Warren Telephone Company

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#### TDS Telecommunications Corporation Subsidiaries and Affiliates (cont.)

Michigan-

Chatham Telephone Company

Communications Corporation of Michigan

Island Telephone Company Shiawassee Telephone Company Wolverine Telephone Company

Minnesota-

Arvig Telephone Company

Bridge Water Telephone Company Mid-State Telephone Company Winsted Telephone Company

Mississippi-

Calhoun City Telephone Company, Inc.

Myrtle Telephone Company, Inc.

Southeast Mississippi Telephone Company, Inc.

Missouri-

New London Telephone Company Orchard Farm Telephone Company

The Stoutland Telephone Company

New Hampshire- Hollis Telephone Company, Inc.

Kearsarge Telephone Company

Merrimack County Telephone Company

Contoocook Telephone Company Union Telephone Company Wilton Telephone Company, Inc.

New York-

Deposit Telephone Company, Inc. Edwards Telephone Company, Inc. Oriskany Falls Telephone Corporation

Port Byron Telephone Company Township Telephone Company, Inc. Vernon Telephone Company, Inc.

North Carolina-

Barnardsville Telephone Company

Saluda Mountain Telephone Company

Service Telephone Company

Ohio-

Arcadia Telephone Company Continental Telephone Company

Little Miami Communications Corporation

Oakwood Telephone Company The Vanlue Telephone Company

Oklahoma-

Mid-America Telephone, Inc.

Oklahoma Communication Systems, Inc.

Wyandotte Telephone Company

T-Mobile Central LLC

T-Mobile Central LLC

PowerTel/Memphis, Inc.

T-Mobile Central LLC

T-Mobile Northeast LLC

T-Mobile Northeast LLC

T-Mobile South LLC

T-Mobile Central LLC

T-Mobile Central LLC

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## TDS Telecommunications Corporation Subsidiaries and Affiliates (cont.)

Oregon- Asotin Telephone Company

Home Telephone Company

T-Mobile West Corporation

Pennsylvania- Depo

Deposit Telephone Company, Inc.

T-Mobile Northeast LLC

T-Mobile South LLC

PowerTel/Memphis, Inc.

T-Mobile Northeast, LLC

T-Mobile West Corporation

T-Mobile Central LLC

Mahanoy and Mahantango Telephone Company

Sugar Valley Telephone Company

South Carolina- St.

St. Stephen Telephone Company

McClellanville Telephone Company Williston Telephone Company

Tennessee-

Concord Telephone Exchange, Inc.

Humphreys County Telephone Company

Tellico Telephone Company, Inc. Tennessee Telephone Company

Virginia-

Amelia Telephone Corporation New Castle Telephone Company

Virginia Telephone Company

Washington-

Asotin Telephone Company

Lewis River Telephone Company, Inc.

McDaniel Telephone Company

Wisconsin-

Badger Telecom, LLC

Black Earth Telephone Company, LLC

Bonduel Telephone Company, LLC

Burlington, Brighton & Wheatland Telephone Company, LLC

Central State Telephone Company, LLC Dickeyville Telephone Company, LLC EastCoast Telecom of Wisconsin, LLC

Grantland Telecom, LLC Mid-Plains Telephone, LLC

Midway Telephone Company, LLC Mosinee Telephone Company, LLC Mt. Vernon Telephone Company, LLC

Riverside Telecom, LLC

Scandinavia Telephone Company, LLC Southeast Telephone Co. of Wisconsin, LLC The Farmers Telephone Company, LLC

The State Long Distance Telephone Company, LLC Stockbridge & Sherwood Telephone Company, LLC

Tenney Telephone Company, LLC

UTELCO, LLC

Waunakee Telephone Company, LLC